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Draft report of Working Group II on agenda item 5

1. At its 355th plenary meeting, on 4 April 2016, the Disarmament Commission adopted the provisional agenda for its substantive session of 2016 (A/CN.10/L.76) and decided to allocate to Working Group II agenda item 5, entitled "Practical confidence-building measures in the field of conventional weapons".

2. Working Group II, chaired by Bouchaib Eloumni (Morocco), held 12 meetings from 5 and 21 April 2016. The Disarmament and Peace Affairs Branch of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management served as secretariat of the Working Group, and the Office for Disarmament Affairs served as adviser to the Working Group.

3. At its 1st meeting, on 5 April, the Working Group took up the previous Chair's conference room paper dated 21 April 2015 (A/CN.10/2015/WG.II/CRP.1). At its 2nd to 8th meetings, on 7, 11, 13 and 15 April, the Working Group held deliberations on the conference room paper, during which delegations exchanged views and made written and oral proposals. At its 9th meeting, on 15 April, the Working Group completed its reading of the conference room paper.

4. At the 10th meeting, on 19 April, the Chair introduced a conference room paper dated 18 April 2016 (A/CN.10/2016/WG.II/CRP.1), which was based on the Chair's conference room paper dated 21 April 2015 and took into account written and oral proposals made by delegations. Conference room paper A/CN.10/2016/WG.II/CRP.1 was presented under the Chair's own responsibility and without prejudice to the position of any delegation. At the same meeting, the Working Group began its reading of that conference room paper.

5. At its 11th meeting, on 19 April, the Working Group completed its reading of the conference room paper dated 18 April 2016 (A/CN.10/2016/WGII/CRP.1).

6. At its 12th meeting, on 21 April, the Working Group recorded its appreciation to the Chair and the Secretariat.

7. At the same meeting, the Working Group considered and adopted by consensus its report on agenda item 5.